

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

V.

\$9,922.00 U.S. CURRENCY,

Defendant.

NO: 2:14-CV-84-RMP

FINAL ORDER OF FORFEITURE

Before the Court is the United States' Motion for Entry of the Final Order of
iture, **ECF No. 11**. The Court has reviewed the motion, all relevant filings,
s fully informed.

Plaintiff, United States of America, alleged in a Verified Complaint for
Forfeiture In Rem that the Defendant currency is subject to forfeiture to the United
States pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 881. ECF No. 1.

The Court has jurisdiction over this matter by virtue of 28 U.S.C. §§ 1345 and 1333. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1335.

The defendant property being forfeited is described as follows:

1 \$9,922.00 U.S. Currency, seized by the Washington State Patrol, from
2 Damar Ajhon William Lee, on or about November 25, 2013, at
3 Milepost 258 on Interstate 90, at or near Spokane, Washington,
4 pursuant to a consent search.

5 On April 29, 2014, the United States Marshals Service executed the Warrant
6 of Arrest In Rem. The returned warrant was filed with the Court under the above
7 cause number on April 29, 2014. ECF No. 5.

8 Notice of Civil Forfeiture Action was posted on the official government
9 website beginning July 18, 2014, through August 16, 2014, as required by Rule
10 G(4)(a)(iv)(C) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and
11 Asset Forfeiture Actions, as evidenced by the Notice of Publication filed herein on
12 September 26, 2014. ECF Nos. 10, 10-1 and 10-2. At the latest, the claim period
13 expired on September 16, 2014.

14 On or about April 29, 2014, Damar A.W. Lee was served, via certified mail,
15 return receipt requested, with a copy of the Verified Complaint for Forfeiture In
16 Rem, the Warrant of Arrest In Rem, and the Notice of Complaint for Forfeiture.
17 ECF Nos. 6 and 6-1. Based upon the direct notice service date, Damar A.W. Lee's
18 deadline to file a timely claim was June 3, 2014. To date, no claim of interest has
19 been received or filed with the Court from Damar A.W. Lee.

1 On June 4, 2014, the United States served and filed its Notice of Motion for
2 Default. ECF No. 7. On July 17, 2014, the United States filed a Motion for
3 Default. ECF Nos. 8 and 8-1. On July 18, 2014, the Clerk entered a default order
4 as to Damar A.W. Lee. ECF No. 9.

5 It appears to the Court that any and all potential claimant's interest in the
6 defendant property has been resolved through the entry of the Clerk's Order of
7 Default as to Damar A.W. Lee.

8 Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

- 9 1. United States' Motion for Entry of the Final Order of Forfeiture, **ECF**
10 **No. 11**, is **GRANTED**. The defendant property is hereby forfeited to the
11 United States of America, and no right, title, or interest shall exist in any
12 other person.
- 13 2. The United States shall dispose of the forfeited defendant property in
14 accordance with law.

15 The District Court Clerk is directed to enter this Order and to provide copies
16 to counsel and to Damar AW Lee, via U.S. Postal Service, 7021 East 6th Avenue,
17 Spokane, Valley, WA 99212-0578, and **close this case**.

18 **DATED** this 27th day of October 2014.

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20 *s/ Rosanna Malouf Peterson*
ROSANNA MALOUF PETERSON
Chief United States District Court Judge